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SUBJECT: MEETINGS ON CARIB FRUIT FLY

1. MEETINGS NOW FINISHED IN FLORIDA WITH FUKUDA GROUP AND GROUP HAS RETURNED TO TOKYO. WHILE NO DEFINITE CONCLUSIONS EXPRESSED BY GROUP INDICATIONS WERE THAT THEY WERE GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH THE VISIT AND THE FACILITIES THEY INSPECTED. AT FINAL MEETING JAPANESE REQUESTED THAT THE US PROVIDE AN OFFICIAL REPLY TO GOJ ON ITS INITIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM THE US AS TO WHAT COULD BE DONE BY US SIDE TO GUARANTEE TO THE JAPANESE THAT THE CARIB FRUIT FLY (CFF) WOULD NOT BE INTRODUCED INTO JAPAN.

2. OBVIOUSLY THE POLITICAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM CAUSING THE JAPANESE TO HAVE SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT INITIATING ANY ACTION AND THEY PREFER TO BE IN POSITION OF REACTING AND REPLYING TO OUR INITIATIVE. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPROACH AND WILL FORWARD ASAP A SUGGESTED TEXT FOR SUCH A MESSAGE TO GOJ. HOWEVER, THE JAPANESE MUST UNDERSTAND THAT USDA DOES NOT HAVE AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE INDUSTRY TREATMENTS OR RESTRICTIONS OF EXPORTS. APHIS DOES HOWEVER HAVE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IMPORTING COUNTRY REGULATIONS. THEREFORE WHILE WE WILL OUTLINE

ACTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS WE ARE WILLING TO INITIATE - GOJ WILL
HAVE TO ISSUE OFFICIAL REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR THE
ISSUANCE OF USDA PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATES MEETING SUCH
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